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Prior to substantive examination of this application, please insert the following paragraph after the field of the invention.

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

Applicant hereby claims priority from provisional application serial number 60/440,603 entitled SYSTEM FOR BATCHING PRODUCT PORTIONS, filed on January 16, 2003.